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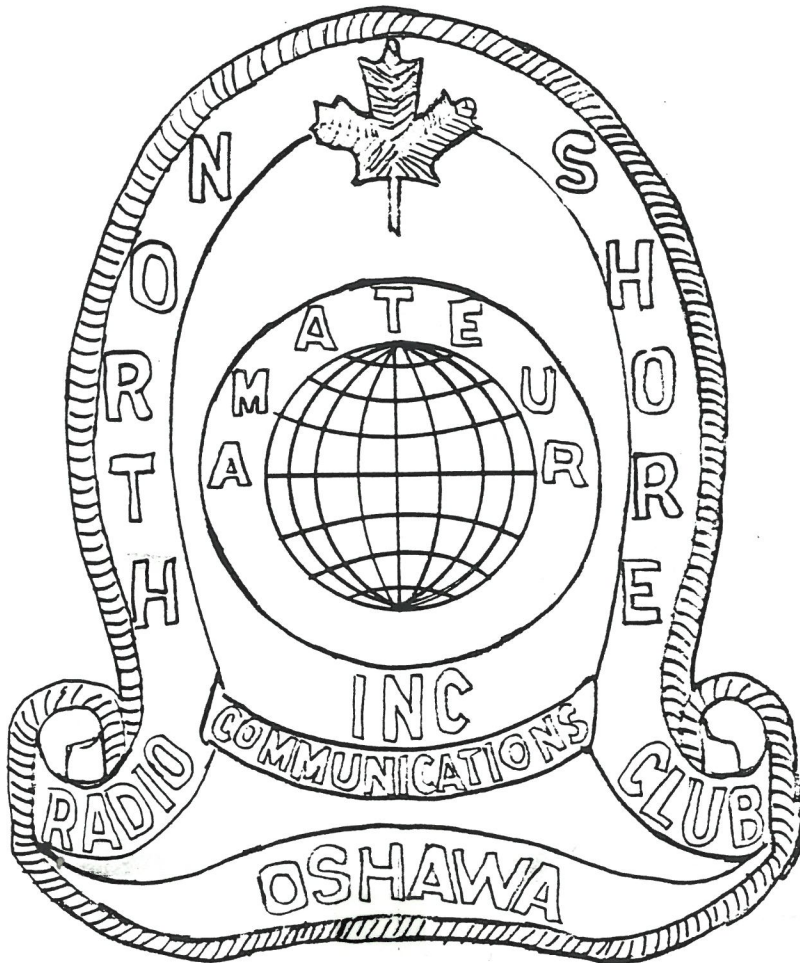
P.O. Box 171  
Oshawa, Ont.  
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**To**

VE3CRK  
Ralph Day  
454 Holcan Ave.  
Oshawa Ont. L1G 5X6



NORTH SHORE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB Inc. NEWSLETTER

P.O. BOX 171  
Oshawa, Ontario, Canada  
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January, 1985.

1984 DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

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DIRECTORS		EXECUTIVE	
President	Bill Sutton	VE3MLW	623-2846
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Treasurer	Mac McFarlane	VE3XI	723-8484
Director	Joe White	VE3IHS	623-4069
Director	Bill Fortune	VE3NTI	986-4513

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Editor	Bill Fortune	VE3NTI	986-4513

Please send any communication for the Newsletter directly to: Bill Fortune, P.O. Box 113, Blackstock, Ontario, L0B1B0.

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CLUB STATION.....VE3NSR

CLUB 2-METER REPEATER.....VE3 147.72 in  
147.12 out

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2-METER CLUB NET

2-Meter net every Thursday at 19:30 local time, come rain, shine or QRM, on the club repeater, VE3OSH. Net control is Roy VE3AAF. Code practice comes at 20:30 courtesy of Bernie VE3ATI.

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NEXT MEETING TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 1985.

Monthly Club Meetings are held at 20:00, on the 2nd. Tuesday of every month, in the cafeteria of O'NEILL COLLEGIATE, Simcoe Street North, OSHAWA.

“ELECTION NIGHT”

Niagara Peninsula Amateur Radio Club Inc.  
— 17TH —  
**ANNUAL EVENT**

**HAMFEST- DINE & DANCE**

**UAW HALL, BUNTING RD. ST.CATHARINES**

**TALK IN:**

VE3NRS-147.24/84

Simplex : 146.520

(VE3VM)

**LOTS OF PARKING - INDOOR DISPLAYS**

**NEW & USED PARTS & EQUIPMENT**

**COMMERCIAL DISPLAYS**

**HOT & COLD REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED**

**HOURLY DOOR PRIZES**

**FEB ,2, 1985**

**Hamfest**

8 A.M-till 2 P.M.  
SET UP STARTS AT 6:30 AM  
TABLES :-\$3.00 ea MAX 2  
DEALERS:\$10.00 ea MAX 4  
ENTRANCE:\$2.00 ea  
Children under 12 free

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ADVANCE REGISTRATION ON TABLES  
REQUIRED

PAYABLE BY CHECK or M/O

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ORDER FORM

HAMFEST TABLES.....at \$3.00 ea  
DEALERS TABLES.....at 10.00 ea  
ENTRANCE FEE.....at \$2.00 ea

MAIL ORDER TO:-

N.P.A.R.C.

c/o PETER MITROFF VE3DSM

8 MARSTEN DR.

ST.CATHARINES,ONT.

CANADA, L2N 3C7

Phone 1-416-935-6732

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RESERVE EARLY DON'T BE DISAPPOINTED

**Dinner Dance**

BAR OPENS AT 6:30 P.M.

DINNER AT 7:00 P.M.

DANCING AT 9:00 P.M.

TICKETS \$15.00 ea

CHANCE AT GRAND PRIZE INCLUDED

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**Grand Prizes ;**

~~~~~FIRST PRIZE~~~~~

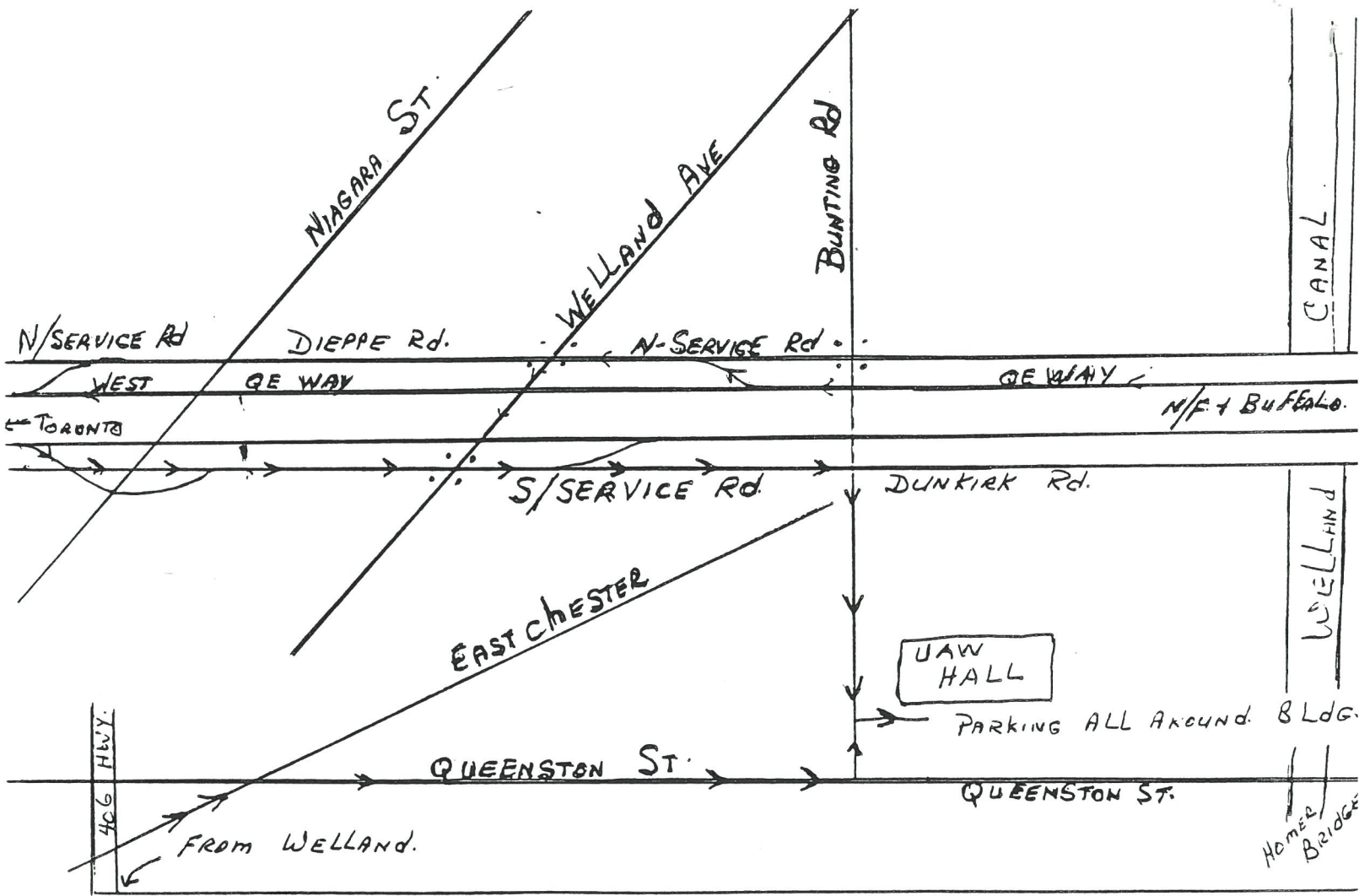
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~~~~~SECOND PRIZE~~~~~

\$200.00 GIFT CERTIFICATE.  
(on amateur equipment)

TICKETS \$2.00 ea OR:-  
3 FOR \$5.00

TICKETS FOR DRAW WILL BE AVAILABLE  
AT HAMFEST AND DINNER-DANCE ONLY.,  
DRAW WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE  
DINNER-DANCE>>



FROM TORONTO:-

EXIT OFF THE QEW AT NIAGARA ST., #44  
 STAYING IN THE LEFT LANE UNDER,  
 NIAGARA ST. THEN YOU WILL MOVE TO  
 THE CENTER LANE TILL YOU PASS  
 WELLAND AVE. THEN YOU WILL MOVE TO  
 THE RIGHT LANE TILL YOU COME TO  
 BUNTING RD. YOU WILL TURN RIGHT ON  
 BUNTING AND FOR ABOUT A CITY BLOCK  
 YOU WILL SEE THE U.A.W. HALL ON  
 YOUR LEFT.. LOTS OF PARKING....

FROM BUFFALO:-

EXIT OFF THE QEW AFTER COMING ACROSS  
 THE SKYWAY OVER THE CANAL. (exit #44)  
 GOING TO WELLAND AVE. IT MAY SHOW  
 NIAGARA ST. WHICH WOULD BE THE SAME.  
 AFTER EXITING THE QEW STAY IN THE LEFT  
 LANE TO WELLAND AVE. THEN MAKE A LEFT  
 UNDER THE QEW WAY STAYING IN THE LEFT  
 LANE AGAIN., THEN MAKE A LEFT TURN ON  
 THE SOUTH SERVICE RD. AS THOUGH YOU  
 ARE GOING BACK TO BUFFALO., CARRY ON  
 TILL YOU COME TO BUNTING RD. TURN RIGHT  
 FOR ABOUT A CITY BLOCK., ON YOUR LEFT  
 YOU WILL SEE THE U.A.W. HALL...  
 LOTS OF PARKING..

## A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

As the new editor of "SPARKS" I look forward to working with the membership to produce a newsletter similar to that produced by Charlie VE3IBO and Neil VE3KSP, the previous editors. As you will see by this edition, already a number of members have come forward with contributions which have been very much appreciated. If YOU have something that you think might be of interest to the membership that you would like to see in print, please contact me: Bill Fortune, VE3NTI on the net, OR Box 113, Blackstock, Ont., LOB1BO, OR 1-986-4513. Thanks for future co-operation.

As I see it, the newsletter forms a viable link between the executive and the members. It is a review of club meetings for those who were there and is informative for those who, for a variety of reasons were unable to attend. It should focus attention on: current club activities; forthcoming events; related and pertinent articles or information. A few suggestions for material are:

- a) D.X.-ing
- b) contesting
- c) homebrewing
- d) satellite experimentation
- e) RTTY
- f) slow scan
- g) Are you studying for that elusive "Advanced"?

If you have access to or subscribe to radio magazines other than the regular publications e.g; such as; QST, Radio, 73, CQ, Ham Radio, ETI, or any computer magazines, perhaps you could pin-point articles which might interest other members.

In this issue you will find an excellent article written by Ed Taylor VE3FRM "The old Timers' Corner". We hope this is going to be a regular feature. Ed has contributed frequently in the past and I should like to thank him now in anticipation of future articles. Tune in next month to find out about another Old Timer', courtesy of Ed.

Talking about Old Timers, we know that you have "done your bit" in the past but you are still the backbone of the club and we need your expertise. Don't be reluctant to step forward with your knowledge, opinions and occasional contribution to the bulletin.

At the November meeting, several members expressed concern regarding the CRRL circular with respect to proposed DOC changes. Since the proposals are a fundamental departure from DOC policy-making, I thought someone (especially an Old Timer) might have expressed his concern in an article or letter to the editor.

Wanted;

24LQ6A Tube (horizontal output for color TV. - VE3IBO) 73's chas.

ON A SAD NOTE...

On Tuesday, December 11, around seven o'clock in the evening, shortly before our final get together for the year, one of our most active members, Glenn VE3LIZ lost his wife in a tragic car accident just yards from home. On behalf of our membership, we express our regrets to Glen and his daughter Annette. Please accept our condolences at this time. The executive would like to thank the many club members who paid their personal respects.

REVIEW OF 1984

VALENTINE DANCE - was enjoyed by those who attended, however, it was disappointing due to a small response by the general membership.

CLUB MEETING ENTERTAINMENT - not as available from equipment manufacturers as in past years. In respect to this, club members came forward to help out :  
Roy - VE3OHN - Talk Seeing Eye Dogs  
Dave - VE3GUD - Tape of the  
Field Day of 1982.

FLEA MARKET - Once again it was a whopping success! The returns reflected the efforts of the members to make this Third Annual Flea Market the success it was.

BOY SCOUTS ON THE AIR - Bob - VE3LLE - once again was responsible for organizing and co-ordinating this event.

SERMON ON THE MOUNT - This event was followed by the Annual Corn Roast in August.

MISCELLANEOUS CLUB ACTIVITIES -

Race the Nonquon  
A.R.R.L.. North American Field Day  
Oshawa Highland Games  
Ride for the Handicapped  
Warriors' Day Parade  
VE3CNE  
Wine and Cheese Party - see article

Bill Sutton VE3MLW  
(President)

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER MEETING

There was one visitor, Steve Holland, VE3LLD, the hard working member for York ARC

As there had not been a response to our letter, from the city regarding Satellite disk restrictions, this matter was discussed.

A letter from the Heritage ARC was read and discussed with respect to a weather watch on 401. (Members interested should contact the executive)

Members also discussed the recent CRRL survey  
RE: DOC proposals 1) expanded phone limits  
2) de-regulation of bands  
3) communicator's licence

Motion was passed (Jack VE3SJ - Earl VE3AZT) to send a letter objecting to this concept of a communicator's licence.

NEWS FROM OTHER SOURCES

CRRL NEWS BULLETIN #35 has this comment:

"Good news for Ontario Amateurs. Thanks to the efforts of the Radio Society of Ontario, cost of call letter licence plates will soon be reduced from \$100.00 to \$25.00. (This was mentioned at our October meeting)

HELPFUL HINTS FROM HYDRO by Ruby Reeson VE3NLR

Ed. Note: Ruby has informed us that the following booklets are available FREE from: ENERSAVE HOTLINE:  
1-800-267-9563 (toll free)  
985-1801 (in Ottawa)

THE BILL PAYER'S GUIDE TO FURNACE SERVICING.  
Conservation and Renewable Energy Branch, EMR, 580 Booth St., Ottawa. 1975, 99 pp., free. This publication examines in detail the operation and maintenance procedures required to ensure that your oil or gas furnace is running efficiently.

KEEPING THE HEAT IN. Conservation and Renewable Energy Branch, EMR 580 Booth St., Ottawa, 1981, 108 pp. free. This new edition of the classic publication covers re-insulating and making existing buildings airtight.

WHAT YOU DON'T KNOW CAN TURN PEOPLE OFF. Ontario Hydro, 19 pp., free. This booklet deals with all aspects of energy conservation around the home. It includes two pin-up reference lists for laundry room and kitchen.

WORTH WATCHING - KEEPING A WATCHFUL EYE ON YOUR METER SAVES ELECTRICITY AND MONEY. Ontario Hydro, 9pp., free. This pamphlet deals with conservation of electricity around the home. It includes a "Meter Watcher's Log" for keeping track of your savings.

WINE AND CHEESE PARTY

Thanks must go to Collin - VE3CEU and Joe - VE3IHS for organizing this most successful party, which was enjoyed by all.

The evening got underway with a 50/50 draw which was won by Jack Boynton - VE3KZM. Following the draw which netted the repeater \$9.00, the meeting was called to order. It was announced that only one piece of special traffic would be handled, after which the meeting would be adjourned and members and guests would be invited to participate in the evening's entertainment. The special traffic concerned the presentation of a plaque to the amateur, who over the years, had made a significant contribution to furthering the club's activities. The award recipient was chosen by a committee of former award winners and then passed on to the Executive Committee for acceptance.

The presentation remarks were as follows:

"The winner of the award for the amateur who contributed the most to the club's benefit is a person we all know from the code and theory classes he conducted. This brought new members into the club. He was available on Field Days to do his share of CW and phone stations, including our last Field Day where he helped to launch me into Field Day as 75 metre phone. Collin - VE3CEU tells me this person also put in a lot of effort in the club's early days, organizing the club's annual banquet. His research into water tables in the region made it possible for us to have lower antennae.

The amateur who meets all of the above remarks is:

JACK ELSTON VE3SJ

Will you please come up and accept this plaque presented to you by the NORTH SHORE AMATEUR RADIO CLUB."

The evening's entertainment got underway with a most pleasant evening of amateurs and XYL's

submitted by J.J. WHITE - VE3IHS

ON THE SICK LIST

Martin VE3GMM has recently returned home from hospital, after minor surgery. We wish him well.

SSB (SELL, SWAP, BUY)

Yaesu FT 207 R handheld portable, manual charger speaker mike, and carrying case.

See: Gary Helferty - VE3CNO 1-416-576-1654

Price negotiable.





The Old Timer's Corner  
by  
Edwin H. Taylor, VE3FRM



This monthly page is devoted entirely to the Old Timer's of our club who participated in the events, technologies and advances of our past. Our Old Timers are literally fraught with interesting tidbits from days gone by. Tune into this page every month and revel in the adventures of yester year with NSARC's own "Old Timers".

Speaking of Old Timers, you probably know Walter Wright, VE3DYE. Walter isn't out to every meeting, but he's always front n' center when there's Public Service work to be done. The Club sure needs more like him.

Walter wrote wrote for his commercial back in 1940 and with that ticket clutched firmly in his hand he did what every young man yearns to do, he took to the sea. 1942 found our man weathering the storms off the Cape of Good Hope aboard an ancient rusting tramp steamer called the "S.S. Faneromeni". (nick named the Fanny Rooney). The Fanny was built in 1916 at Anthropt Belgium and destined to wear a groove in the oceans between Africa and India, haulin' coal. Walter signed on as wireless officer and was automatically blessed with the handle of "Sparks". A befitting name, for the gear on board was Spark! The Fanny carried a quarter kw quenched spark with a Belgium "Sait 35-B" three tube TRF receiver, all this was hooked to a Windom double "T" radiator. Now, this was classified as old stuff even in '42 but it did the job! Before entering harbour Walter would sign in and his rig came on like a thunder clap as many a harbour op's ringing ears would attest.

Now, the Fanny Rooney was a temperamental old gal with very little "get up and go". Her top speed was 6 knots and thats not fast enough when navigatin' waters infested with German and Jap subs. Not much use in tryin' to zig or zag at that pace! Once they cleared the safety of harbour, Walter didn't stray too far from that key!

Talk about fun, how about standin' out on deck in the Mozambique Channel, with your arms raised and watchin' St. Elmo's fire dance on your finger tips! DX? We moan about 160 meters bein' too long a wave fer DX. Walter copied Rugby England loud n' clear with the fones on the bench, out in the middle of the Indian Ocean! On 16 kc! By golly those were the days!

Well Walter came out of that unscathed and did a few turns for the DOT in Ottawa. In '48, fully landlocked he wrote his Amateur exam and received the call of VE3BWH. In '53 the DOT moved him to Saskatchewan with the call of VE5WG. Now, comes a time in every young fellas life when he feels it's time to settle down and so Walter decided to drop anchor right here in Blackstock. We're all fortunate for his decision. Walter has been running homebrew and Command gear right up 'til recently when he aquired a Heath HW-100. Walter is a CW man but can at times be reached on VE3OSH. The club is proud to have Walter as a member and appreciate his contributions to the hobby. Thanks and a tip of the hat to you Walter.

Wanted: Old Time radio broadcast schedules, freq. and time. Tired of watching the baloney they feed us on TV these days? The following are some stations that play broadcasts from the "Good Old Days". Fibber M'Gee and Molly, Bull Dog Drummond, The Shadow and a host of the acts that to-days producers cannot imitate. If you plug into any stations not listed below, please send 'em in, we'll list them all next month.

CHUM (FM) 104.5 mc.; 10pm to 11pm weeknights. Comedy then mystery. (Toronto)  
WCAU (AM) 1210 kc; 9pm to 10pm weeknights. (Phil. Penn.)  
WEAM (AM) 1180 kc; 10pm to 11pm weeknights. (Rochester)  
WEER (AM) 970 kc; 6pm to 7pm weekends. (Buffalo)

TNX

In our last newsletter, we neglected to thank Steve VE3LLD and Martin VE3NSO for their contribution this year. Steve took the C.W. code practice for Bernie VE3ATI during the summer and Martin, as most of you know has kept the coffee pot at the ready on our meeting nights. Dave VE3LEW brought a quantity of Radio Shack catalogues to our December meeting. These will be available again at the next meeting.

Thanks also to those members who are not in this immediate geographical area but continue to support our club

#### PUBLIC SERVICE

Both Glen, VE3LIZ and Martin VE3GMM, a new member, participated with a group of scouts in the Jamboree on the Air at Nestleton Hall. We'd like to recognize, rather belatedly, their involvement in this worthwhile project.

During November, Bill VE3NTI gave a short talk, on Ham Radio' to the Port Perry Lions Club, of which he is a member. He would like to thank Charlie VE3IBO, Fred VE3HE and Bob VE3LLZ for their assistance in a short demonstration (via the repeater) which followed.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Membership renewal is continuing but we still have quite a number to be heard from. Won't you just fill in the form which has again been provided for you and mail it to the registrar. (Note change of address) The bulletin is a very costly item, (takes most of the budget) and your attention to this matter as soon as possible would be appreciated.

#### NEW MEMBERS

We should like to take this opportunity to welcome two new members: Steve Holland VE3LLD and Martin Martell VE3GMM. Steve is well-known to many of us as he not only has joined us at the meetings, but has also participated in our service events: viz; Canoe the Nonquon. Martin is getting back into the fold and we are glad that he has decided to join us.

#### A FINAL NOTE

The editors, Charlie - VE3IBO and Neil -VE3KSP, in the final editorial threw out a challenge to the club membership to get involved in 1985. They presented many ideas and suggested innovations that could make N.S.A.R.C. a revitalized force in this region. No doubt you gave some thought to their article. Some of their ideas are far-reaching and somewhat drastic, but nevertheless quite within our capabilities. We would like to examine some of these in our next issue. Articles, comments or "Letters to the Editor" concerning these would be appreciated.

"73" Bill Ve3NTI  
Editor

CONTESTS

We have been asked by Vic VE3LNX to draw your attention to the QST forthcoming V.H.F. contest.

"On the week-end of January 12-13 the VHF/UHF bands will come to life, making the 38th ARRL January VHF Sweepstakes. This year's rules differ considerably from last year's so look them over carefully." For rules, see P 91, December Issue.

If you get involved, how about giving Vic VE3LNX a call? He can't report unless he hears from you.

While on this subject, you should also note that CQ Magazine will return to the VHF contest scene after a ten year absence. A CQ WPX contest will be held each year during the third full week-end in July. This new contest will be modelled after the popular CQ WW WPX contest.

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FORTHCOMING MEETINGS (all welcome)

PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL

Wednesday, January 9, 1985,  
C.N.I.B. 1929 Bayview Ave., Toronto  
(just North of Eglinton)

C.N.E. MEETING

Wednesday, January 23, 1985,  
C.N.I.B. (as above)

All members are welcome to these meetings.  
Parking is available on the north side of the building.

BOTH MEETINGS BEGIN AT 19:30 SHARP!

Please note that Evan VE3IND was chairman of VE3CNE, 1984 and is currently an executive member of the RSO and responsible for affiliated clubs.

HATS OFF TO EVAN!

We need representatives to cover these events and meetings, in general. Let's not leave it to the few to carry all the load.

SOMEONE IN A HURRY!

Jim Collins VE3OYE, of Whitby, obtained his licence on Thursday, December 20 and was welcomed on the net the same day. Not letting too much water pass under the bridge, eh!

Thanks Thelma VE3CLT

**NOMINATIONS FOR DIRECTORS**

NSARC Inc. members are invited to submit nominations for five Directors, to be elected at the January 1985 meeting. Kindly note that the person whom you nominate must agree to serve as a Director if elected: the nominee's signature, as well as yours, is needed on the form. You may either mail your completed nomination form to the club, or put it in an envelope and deliver it at the December meeting.

I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ as a Director for N.S.A.R.C. Inc., for the calendar year 1985.

signed, \_\_\_\_\_ Nominator

If elected, I agree to serve: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominee

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**PROXY VOTING FORM**

Members who are unable to attend the voting meeting in January may vote by assigning their proxy to another Member who will be attending. To vote by proxy, please complete this attached form, and give it to your friend who will be coming to the meeting.

Please note that your signature and the date are required.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ [your name -- please print] \_\_\_\_\_ [your call]

a Full, Voting Member in good standing of North Shore Amateur Radio Club Incorporated, assign my vote by proxy

to \_\_\_\_\_ [friend's name -- please print] \_\_\_\_\_ [his call]

who is also a Full voting Member of our club in good standing.

Signed, \_\_\_\_\_

Date, \_\_\_\_\_

**N.S.A.R.C. MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM, 1985**

Club dues for 1985 are payable by January 1st. Please use this handy form and enclose it with your payment. You can bring it to the next regular meeting, or mail it with your cheque payable to N.S.A.R.C., (no cash please!) to The Registrar, NSARC Inc., 298 Dover St., Oshawa, Ont. L1G 6G6

Please PRINT all information legibly!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Call \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Postal code

{amount enclosed}

Full, voting Member \$15.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Non-voting, Associate Member \$ 8.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
(SWL, USA, etc.)

Additional Family Member

name \_\_\_\_\_

call \_\_\_\_\_ \$ 6.00 \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed, payable to NSARC Inc. >>>> \_\_\_\_\_ <<<<

Please note: Postage and printing cost money. Only paid-up members will continue to receive the club newsletter in 1985.

